# Printer and Peripheral Set-Up

Answers to "How do I make this printer work?" and "What plugs into what?"



# Set up a wired (Ethernet) printer

#### **Step 1: Check requirements**

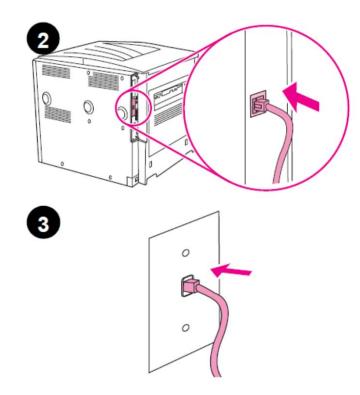
- Before installing the printer, make sure you have a functioning network router and an Ethernet cable.
- Make sure your computer is connected to the router, switch, or hub.

#### Step 2: Connect the printer to the network

- Connect the Ethernet cable to the Ethernet port on the printer.
- Connect the other end of the cable to an available port on the wired access point or router.
- Wait one full minute so the network has time to recognize the printer and assign it an IP address.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions or prompts on the printer.

#### Step 3: Download and install the drivers and software

- On your computer, visit the printer manufacturer's website and download the corresponding drivers and installation software (or use the CD if the printer came with one and your computer has a CD drive).
- Follow the on-screen prompts to install, then use the wizard to find the printer on the network.





### Set up a USB printer



- 1. Begin by plugging your printer into its power supply, but make sure the printer remains powered off.
- 2. Next, plug the USB cable into the printer, then the computer.
- 3. **If using Windows 8 or above (or Mac):** Turn the printer on.
  - a. Because it is USB connected, the printer should be easily recognized and installed by the computer. You may need to complete the installation by answering a few prompts.
  - If the computer does not recognize the printer, you can download the drivers from the manufacturer's website.
- 4. If using Windows 7 or earlier, leave the printer turned off. Begin by opening Control Panel and selecting "Add a Printer"—follow the prompts in the wizard, which may help you find the correct drivers. You may need to visit the manufacturer's website or use an installation CD.



## Set up a wireless (WiFi) printer

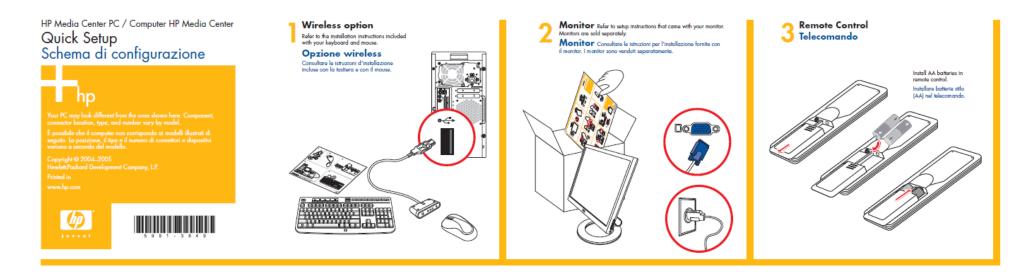
- 1. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for physically setting-up the printer.
- 2. On your Windows computer, open Devices and Printers by clicking the **Start** button, and then, on the Start menu, clicking **Devices and Printers**.
- 3. Click Add a printer.
- 4. In the Add Printer wizard, click **Add a network, wireless or Bluetooth printer**.
- 5. In the list of available printers, select the one you want to use, and then click **Next**.
- 6. If prompted, install the printer driver on your computer by clicking **Install driver**. If you're prompted for an administrator password or confirmation, type the password or provide confirmation.
- 7. Complete the additional steps in the wizard, and then click **Finish**.



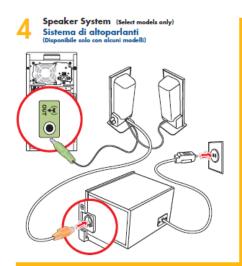


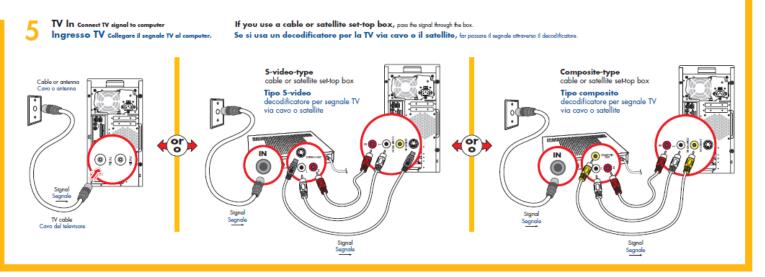
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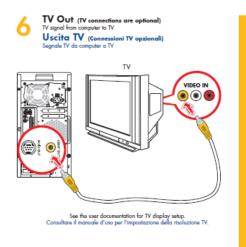
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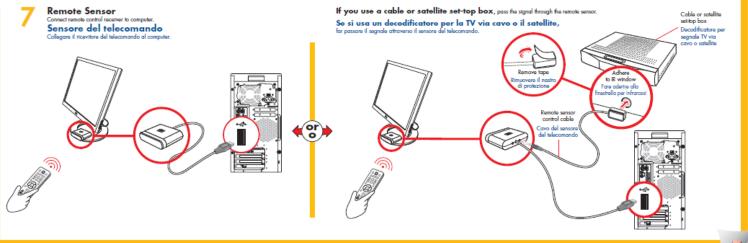












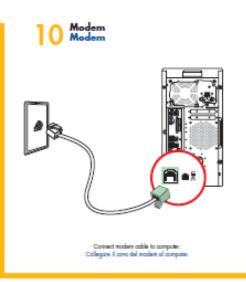


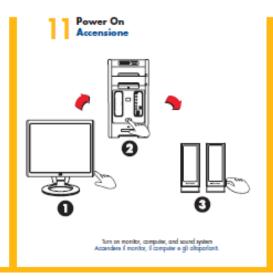
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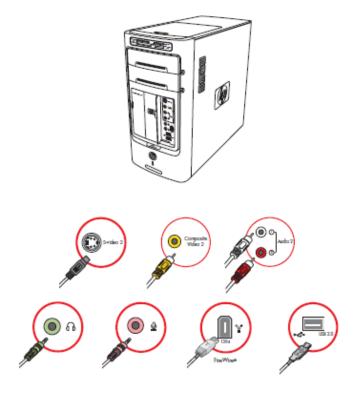








Your PC may look different from the ones shown here. Component, connector location, type, and number vary by model. È possibile che il computer non corrisponda ai modelli illustrati di seguito. La posizione, il tipo e il numero di connettori e dispositivi variano a seconda del modello.







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